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Lois Wise

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Subject: Petition Against the Duke Energy Rate Increase

Dear Commissioners:

As a Duke Energy electric customer, I encourage you to closely examine the Duke Energy electric rate proposal (2018-319-e) when it comes before you, Specifically, I am concerned that:

Duke Energy's proposal to increase the basic facilities charge, a fixed cost from \$8.29 to over \$28. This would make this mandatory fee one of the highest in the country and much higher than the other investor-owned utility in South Carolina which recently lowered its fixed cost.

The increase in this mandatory fee takes away customer control over my energy bill robs me of the full benefit of energy conservation efforts. It is important that you protect older consumers who may live on a fixed income.

We have moved here within the year, and like Anderson so very much. It seems to have so much to offer its residents. Now we get this bad news and couldn't be more disappointed. Everything is going up, up, and it is growing more and more difficult to remain within our financial means. Do you REALLY, REALLY need to increase your energy cost at this time?? The Anderson people are not for this at all and will be extremely disgruntled and unhappy about this, you may be sure!!

Sincerely,
Lois and Jack Wise

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Sincerely,
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